

**HOUSEHOLD DATA
HISTORICAL**

A-1. Employment status of the civilian noninstitutional population 16 years and over, 1969 to date

(Numbers in thousands)

Year and month	Civilian noninstitutional population	Civilian labor force						Not in labor force
		Number	Percent of population	Employed		Unemployed		
				Number	Percent of population	Number	Percent of labor force	
Annual averages								
1969	134,335	80,734	60.1	77,902	58.0	2,832	3.5	53,602
1970	137,085	82,771	60.4	78,678	57.4	4,093	4.9	54,315
1971	140,216	84,382	60.2	79,367	56.6	5,016	5.9	55,834
1972 ¹	144,126	87,034	60.4	82,153	57.0	4,882	5.6	57,091
1973 ¹	147,096	89,429	60.8	85,064	57.8	4,365	4.9	57,667
1974	150,120	91,949	61.3	86,794	57.8	5,156	5.6	58,171
1975	153,153	93,774	61.2	85,846	56.1	7,929	8.5	59,377
1976	156,150	96,158	61.6	88,752	56.8	7,406	7.7	59,991
1977	159,033	99,008	62.3	92,017	57.9	6,991	7.1	60,025
1978 ¹	161,910	102,250	63.2	96,048	59.3	6,202	6.1	59,659
1979	164,863	104,962	63.7	98,824	59.9	6,137	5.8	59,900
1980	167,745	106,940	63.8	99,302	59.2	7,637	7.1	60,806
1981	170,130	108,670	63.9	100,397	59.0	8,273	7.6	61,460
1982	172,271	110,204	64.0	99,526	57.8	10,678	9.7	62,067
1983	174,215	111,550	64.0	100,834	57.9	10,717	9.6	62,665
1984	176,383	113,544	64.4	105,005	59.5	8,539	7.5	62,839
1985	178,206	115,461	64.8	107,150	60.1	8,312	7.2	62,744
1986 ¹	180,587	117,834	65.3	109,597	60.7	8,237	7.0	62,752
1987	182,753	119,865	65.6	112,440	61.5	7,425	6.2	62,888
1988	184,613	121,669	65.9	114,968	62.3	6,701	5.5	62,944
1989	186,393	123,869	66.5	117,342	63.0	6,528	5.3	62,523
1990 ¹	189,164	125,840	66.5	118,793	62.8	7,047	5.6	63,324
1991	190,925	126,346	66.2	117,718	61.7	8,628	6.8	64,578
1992	192,805	128,105	66.4	118,492	61.5	9,613	7.5	64,700
1993	194,838	129,200	66.3	120,259	61.7	8,940	6.9	65,638
1994 ¹	196,814	131,056	66.6	123,060	62.5	7,996	6.1	65,758
1995	198,584	132,304	66.6	124,900	62.9	7,404	5.6	66,280
1996	200,591	133,943	66.8	126,708	63.2	7,236	5.4	66,647
1997 ¹	203,133	136,297	67.1	129,558	63.8	6,739	4.9	66,836
1998 ¹	205,220	137,673	67.1	131,463	64.1	6,210	4.5	67,547
1999 ¹	207,753	139,368	67.1	133,488	64.3	5,880	4.2	68,385
2000 ¹	212,577	142,583	67.1	136,891	64.4	5,692	4.0	69,994
2001	215,092	143,734	66.8	136,933	63.7	6,801	4.7	71,359
2002	217,570	144,863	66.6	136,485	62.7	8,378	5.8	72,707
Monthly data, seasonally adjusted ²								
2002:								
April	217,006	144,763	66.7	136,196	62.8	8,567	5.9	72,243
May	217,198	144,911	66.7	136,487	62.8	8,424	5.8	72,287
June	217,407	144,852	66.6	136,383	62.7	8,469	5.8	72,556
July	217,630	144,786	66.5	136,343	62.6	8,443	5.8	72,844
August	217,866	145,123	66.6	136,757	62.8	8,366	5.8	72,743
September	218,107	145,634	66.8	137,312	63.0	8,321	5.7	72,473
October	218,340	145,393	66.6	136,988	62.7	8,405	5.8	72,947
November	218,548	145,180	66.4	136,542	62.5	8,637	5.9	73,369
December	218,741	145,150	66.4	136,439	62.4	8,711	6.0	73,591
2003:								
January ³	219,897	145,838	66.3	137,536	62.5	8,302	5.7	74,059
February	220,114	145,857	66.3	137,408	62.4	8,450	5.8	74,257
March	220,317	145,793	66.2	137,348	62.3	8,445	5.8	74,524
April	220,540	146,473	66.4	137,687	62.4	8,786	6.0	74,067

¹ Not strictly comparable with prior years. For an explanation, see "Historical Comparability" under the Household Data section of the Explanatory Notes and Estimates of Error.

² The population figures are not adjusted for seasonal variation.

³ Beginning in January 2003, data are not strictly comparable with data for 2002 and earlier years because of the revisions in the population controls used in the household survey. For additional information, see "Revisions to the Current Population Survey Effective in January 2003" in the February 2003 issue of this publication.